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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Asst. Comn issioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated June 20, 2001 for which a response was due on September 20, 2001. Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for a period of one month thereby bringing the period for response up to October 20, 2001. Please charge our deposit account number 03-3975, referencing 61450/261860 for the amount of \$55.00, the surcharge required for a one-month extension of time as a Small Entity.

Small Entity Status is claimed. This concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(d).

Entry of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS

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The following claims 1, 7, 17, 21, 27, 37, 41, 42 and 45 have been amended as follows: